

**Service of Process Transmittal** 11/30/2015

CT Log Number 528246442

TO:

Jeff Grossinger

Allstate Insurance Company MCO Office, 222 S. Mill Avenue

Tempe, AZ 85281

RE:

**Process Served in New Mexico** 

FOR:

Allstate Insurance Company (Domestic State: IL)

ENCLOSED ARE COPIES OF LEGAL PROCESS RECEIVED BY THE STATUTORY AGENT OF THE ABOVE COMPANY AS FOLLOWS:

TITLE OF ACTION:

Grace Christine Lucero, Pltf. vs. Allstate Insurance Company, Dft.

DOCUMENT(S) SERVED:

Letter, Summonses, Return(s), Complaint, Certification, Demand, First Set of Interrogatories, Second Set of Interrogatories, Third Set of Interrogatories, First Set of Request, Certificate of Service

COURT/AGENCY:

Second Judicial District Court, Bernalillo County, NM

Case # D202CV201508312

**NATURE OF ACTION:** 

Insurance Litigation - Claim for Policy Benefits

ON WHOM PROCESS WAS SERVED:

C T Corporation System, Santa Fe, NM

DATE AND HOUR OF SERVICE:

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**New Mexico** 

APPEARANCE OR ANSWER DUE:

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ATTORNEY(S) / SENDER(S):

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ACTION ITEMS:

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SIGNED: ADDRESS:

C T Corporation System 1012 Marquez Pl Unit 106B Santa Fe, NM 87505-1833



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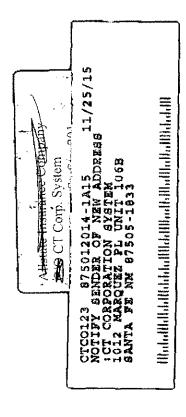
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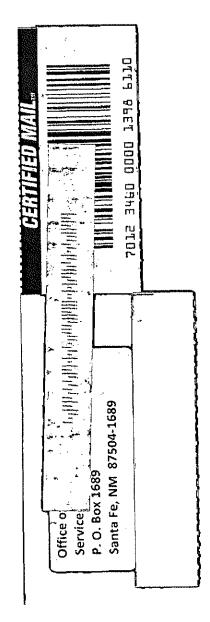
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#### STATE OF NEW MEXICO

#### OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF INSURANCE

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November 6, 2015

Allstate Insurance Company C/O CT Corp. System 123 East Marcy St. Ste. 201 Santa Fe, NM 87501

Re: Grace C. Lucero Vs Allstate Insurance Company

D202CV2015-08312

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with the provisions of NMSA 1978, Sections 59A-5-31 & 59A-32, enclosed is a copy of a Summons, Complaint for Damages for Breach of Insurance Duties, Plaintiff's Certification Regarding Arbitration under to LR2-603, Jury Demand, First Set of Interrogatories to Defendant Allstate Insurance Company, Second Set of Interrogatories to Defendant Allstate Insurance Company, First Request for Production to Defendant Allstate Insurance Company and a Certificate of Service, in the State of New Mexico on the above styled cause. Service has been accepted on your behalf as of November 6, 2015.

Respectfully,

John G. Franchini, Superintendent

John D. Franchi

Enclosure

CERTIFIED MAIL 7012 3460 0000 1398 6110

#### SUMMONS

District Court: Second Judicial District

Bernalillo County, New Mexico

Case Number: D-202-CV-2015-08312

Court Address: 400 Lomas NW.

Albuquerque, NM 87102

Judge: The Honorable Denise Barela Shepherd

Court Telephone No.: (505) 841-7438

Plaintiff(s): Grace Christine Lucero

Defendant

Name: Allstate Insurance Company

c/o John Franchini, Superintendent of Insurance

Address:

P.O. Box 1689

Defendant(s): Allstate Insurance Company

Santa Fe, NM 87504-1689

#### TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANT(S): Take notice that

- 1. A lawsuit has been filed against you. A copy of the lawsuit is attached. The Court issued this Summons.
- 2. You must respond to this lawsuit in writing. You must file your written response with the Court no later than thirty (30) days from the date you are served with this Summons. (The date you are considered served with the Summons is determined by Rule I -004 NMRA) The Court's address is listed above.
- 3. You must file (in person or by mail) your written response with the Court. When you file your response, you must give or mail a copy to the person who signed the lawsuit.
- 4. If you do not respond in writing, the Court may enter judgment against you as requested in
- 5. You are entitled to a jury trial in most types of lawsuits. To ask for a jury trial, you must request one in writing and pay a jury fee.
- 6. If you need an interpreter, you must ask for one in writing.
- 7. You may wish to consult a lawyer. You may contact the State Bar of New Mexico for help finding a lawyer at www.nmbar.org: 1 -800-876-6657; or I -505-797-6066.

Dated: 11/3/2015

JAMES A. NOEL

CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT

Chris Peck, Deputy

Thomas J. Mescall, II Attorney for Plaintiff

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Albuquerque, NM 87110 (505) 765-5548, phone

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THIS SUMMONS IS ISSUED PURSUANT TO RULE I -004 OF THE NEW MEXICO RULES OF CIVIL PROCEDURE FOR DISTRICT COURTS

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Official title	

#### **USE NOTE**

- 1. Unless otherwise ordered by the court, this return is not to be filed with the court prior to service of the summons and complaint on the defendant.
- 2. If service is made by the sheriff or a deputy sheriff of a New Mexico county, the signature of the sheriff or deputy sheriff need not be notarized.
- (Adopted effective August 1, 1988; as amended by Supreme Court Order 05-8300-01, effective March 1,2005; by Supreme Court Order 07-8300-16, effective August 1,2007; by Supreme Court Order No. 12-8300-026, effective for all cases filed or pending on or after January 7,2013.)

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF BERNALILLO SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT

GRACE CHRISTINE LUCERO,

Plaintiff,

V. No. D-202-CV-2015-08312

ALLSTATE INSURANCE COMPANY,

Defendant.

# COMPLAINT FOR DAMAGES FOR BREACH OF INSURANCE DUTIES

#### Introduction

Plaintiff Grace Lucero is bringing this action against her insurance company, Defendant Allstate Insurance Company ("Allstate"), for breach of its duty to settle her claim for uninsured motorist coverage.

#### Parties, Venue, and Jurisdiction

- 1. Plaintiff Grace Lucero resides in Sandoval County, New Mexico.
- 2. At the time of the arbitration, Ms. Grace Lucero was known by her maiden name as Grace Kramer.
- 3. Defendant Allstate is a registered foreign insurer with an agent designated for service in Santa Fe County, New Mexico.
- 4. The car collision giving rise to Ms. Lucero's claim for uninsured motorist coverage occurred in Bernalillo County.
- 5. All of the arbitration and settlement proceedings involving Ms. Lucero's claim for uninsured motorist coverage occurred in Bernalillo County.
- 6. Jurisdiction is proper in this Court.

7. Venue is proper in this Court.

#### General Allegations

- 8. On April 12, 2013, Ms. Lucero made a claim for uninsured motorist coverage with Allstate for a hit and run accident that occurred on February 14, 2012.
- 9. At the time of the collision, Ms. Lucero was insured by Allstate.
- 10. A police report confirmed that a hit and run driver had T-boned Ms. Lucero on her driver's side while she was driving in the Cottonwood Mall parking lot.
- 11. And an independent witness confirmed that Ms. Lucero was T-boned by a hit and run driver who was driving a full-size 4 x 4 SUV while crossing through the parking lanes, cutting through traffic, and speeding.
- 12. The liability of the hit and run driver was undisputed by Allstate.
- 13. On January 23, 2014, Allstate offered to settle Ms. Lucero's claim in full for \$10,500.
- 14. However, in response to repeated pressure, Allstate conceded that \$10,740 constituted the uncontested value of her claim, and so Allstate paid Ms. Lucero \$10,740 on February 12, 2014, as the uncontested value of her claim.
- 15. Allstate knew that this \$10,740 offer would barely cover Ms. Lucero's medical bills of \$10,612.
- 16. And therefore, Allstate obviously knew that this \$10,740 failed to compensate Ms. Lucero for her past pain and suffering, future pain and suffering, and future medical bills.
- 17. Allstate made no settlement offers between February 2014 and June 2015.
- 18. The only other settlement offer from Allstate was an "Offer of Settlement" of an additional \$50,000 made on June 25, 2015--two weeks before the July 9<sup>th</sup>

- Arbitration and two years after Allstate received notice of Ms. Lucero's claim for uninsured motorist coverage.
- 19. The policy limit of Ms. Lucero's UIM coverage was \$150,000.
- 20. Ms. Lucero finally arbitrated her uninsured claim on July 9, 2015, in Albuquerque, New Mexico.
- 21. On July 11, 2015, the Arbitration panel awarded Ms. Lucero \$83,000 in compensatory damages.
- 22. On September 20, 2015, the Arbitration panel awarded Ms. Lucero \$8,427.51 for costs incurred.

#### Count I

#### **Breach of Fiduciary Duty**

- 23. As her insurer, Allstate owes a fiduciary duty to Ms. Lucero.
- 24. As part of this fiduciary duty, Allstate has a duty to act with the highest degree of honesty and loyalty towards Ms. Lucero.
- 25. As part of this fiduciary duty, Allstate also has a duty of utmost good faith, trust, confidence, and candor.
- 26. However, Allstate breached its fiduciary duty by offering only \$10,740 to settle Ms. Lucero's claim for uninsured motorist coverage.
- 27. Allstate knew that this \$10,740 offer would barely cover Ms. Lucero's medical bills of \$10,612.
- 28. And therefore, Allstate obviously knew that this \$10,740 failed to compensate Ms. Lucero for her past pain and suffering, future pain and suffering, and future medical bills.
- 29. By offering only \$10,740 to resolve Ms. Lucero's uninsured claim, Allstate breached its fiduciary duty by misrepresenting that \$10,740 was sufficient to compensate Ms. Lucero for her past pain and suffering, future pain and suffering, past medical bills, and future medical bills.
- 30. In addition, Allstate waited until the eleventh hour--two weeks before Arbitration and two years after Allstate received notice of Ms. Lucero's claim for uninsured motorist coverage--to make a settlement offer of an additional \$50,000.

#### **Count II**

#### Breach of Covenant of Good Faith and Fair Dealing

- 31. As Ms. Lucero's insurer, Allstate is obligated by the covenant of good faith and fair dealing.
- 32. Allstate breached the covenant of good faith and fair dealing, and acted in bad faith, by offering only \$10,740 to settle Ms. Lucero's claim for uninsured motorist coverage, which is a frivolous and unfounded offer.
- 33. Allstate knew that this \$10,740 offer would barely cover Ms. Lucero's medical bills of \$10,612.
- 34. And therefore, Allstate obviously knew that this \$10,740 failed to compensate Ms. Lucero for her past pain and suffering, future pain and suffering, and future medical bills.
- 35. In addition, Allstate waited until the eleventh hour--two weeks before Arbitration and two years after Allstate received notice of Ms. Lucero's claim for uninsured motorist coverage--to make a settlement offer of an additional \$50,000.

#### Count III

# Violation of the Trade Practices and Fraud Article of the Insurance Code: Section 59A-16-20(C)

- 36. Allstate is obligated to comply with section 59A-16-20 of the New Mexico Unfair Insurance Practices Act.
- 37. Section 59A-16-20(C) prohibits Allstate from "failing to adopt and implement reasonable standards for the prompt investigation and processing of insureds' claims arising under policies."

- 38. Allstate violated Section 59A-16-20(C) by unreasonably delaying proceedings that could have resolved Ms. Lucero's claims.
- 39. Allstate waited two years to take an Independent Medical Examination (IME) of Ms. Lucero.
- 40. Allstate then used this IME as an excuse to delay proceedings that could have resolved Ms. Lucero's claims.
- 41. First, Allstate delayed the January 26, 2015, mediation to obtain an IME--even though this case had been pending for a year and Allstate could have taken an IME at any time.
- 42. Next, Allstate delayed the April 8th Arbitration, in part, because the IME needed to be completed before the case could be ready for arbitration, and Allstate claimed there was not sufficient time to complete the IME within the time deadline set by the Arbitrators—even though this case had been pending for a year and Allstate could have taken an IME at any time.
- 43. Then, Allstate postponed the May 20<sup>th</sup> Arbitration due to the unavailability of Allstate's expert witness who conducted the IME.
- 44. In addition, Allstate waited until the eleventh hour--two weeks before Arbitration and two years after Allstate received notice of Ms. Lucero's claim for uninsured motorist coverage--to make a settlement offer of an additional \$50,000.

#### Count IV

# Violation of the Trade Practices and Fraud Article of the Insurance Code: Section 59A-16-20(E)

- 45. Section 59A-16-20(E) prohibits Allstate from "not attempting in good faith to effectuate prompt, fair and equitable settlements of an insured's claims in which liability has become reasonably clear."
- 46. The liability of the hit and run driver was undisputed, and so liability was clear.
- 47. Allstate violated 59A-16-20(E) by offering only \$10,740 to settle Ms. Lucero's claim for uninsured motorist coverage, which is a frivolous and unfounded offer.
- 48. Allstate knew that this \$10,740 offer would barely cover Ms. Lucero's medical bills of \$10,612.
- 49. And therefore, Allstate obviously knew that this \$10,740 failed to compensate Ms. Lucero for her past pain and suffering, future pain and suffering, and future medical bills.
- 50. In addition, Allstate waited until the eleventh hour--two weeks before Arbitration and two years after Allstate received notice of Ms. Lucero's claim for uninsured motorist coverage--to make a settlement offer of an additional \$50,000.

#### Count V

#### **Violation of the Unfair Practices Act**

- 51. Allstate is obligated to comply with Section 57-12-2(D)(17) of the New Mexico Unfair Practices Act.
- 52. Section 57-12-2(D)(17) of the Unfair Practices Act prohibits Allstate from making "any false or misleading oral or written statement" that involves a "failure to deliver the quality or quantity of goods or services contracted for."

- 53. By offering the sum of \$10,740 to resolve Ms. Lucero's uninsured claim, Allstate violated Section 57-12-2(D)(17) by misrepresenting that \$10,740 was sufficient to compensate Ms. Lucero for her past pain and suffering, future pain and suffering, past medical bills, and future medical bills—thereby failing to deliver the quantity of services contracted for.
- 54. Allstate knew that this \$10,740 offer would barely cover Ms. Lucero's medical bills of \$10,612.
- 55. And therefore, Allstate obviously knew that this \$10,740 failed to compensate Ms. Lucero for her past pain and suffering, future pain and suffering, and future medical bills.

#### **Compensatory Damages**

- 56. As a direct and proximate result of Allstate's misconduct, Ms. Lucero has suffered economic damages.
- 57. As a direct and proximate result of Allstate's misconduct, Ms. Lucero has suffered mental anguish.

#### **Punitive Damages**

- 58. As documented by *Guest v. Berardinelli*, 2008--NMCA--144, ¶ 16-17, 145 N.M. 186, Defendant Allstate has an institutional policy and practice of defrauding other insureds in the same way that Defendant Allstate defrauded Ms. Lucero.
- 59. Uninsured motorist coverage creates an enormous potential for Defendant Allstate to unscrupulously exert its unequal bargaining power at a time when its insureds are particularly vulnerable.
- 60. For example, few insureds can afford to pay the costs of litigating or arbitrating their claims.
- 61. Therefore, it is easy for Defendant Allstate to coerce insureds into a diminished settlement by placing on their insureds the unreasonable burden of having to bring a lawsuit to collect what they are entitled to under the policy in order to make themselves whole.
- 62. Plus, it is easy for Defendant Allstate to bully insureds into accepting less than they are entitled to because most insureds desperately need the settlement proceeds to pay the bills arising out of their insured loss.

63. Under these circumstances, Defendant Allstate has the power, motive, and opportunity to act unscrupulously in the investigation and settlement of these claims.

64. And under these circumstances, Defendant Allstate has no incentive to pay in good faith, and has every incentive to delay payment in order to maximize profits by maximizing the financial return of holding onto money.

#### **Prayer for Relief**

**WHEREFORE**, Ms. Lucero prays for judgment against Allstate in an amount to be proven at trial which is reasonable to compensate her for her injuries and losses, and for damages to be sustained in the future.

Ms. Lucero prays for punitive damages because Allstate acted in bad faith.

Ms. Lucero also prays for (1) the costs of this action, (2) pre- and post-judgment interest, (3) attorneys' fees, and any other relief which this Court may deem just and proper.

Respectfully submitted,

Mescall Law Firm, P.C.

By:

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF BERNALILLO SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT

GRACE CHRISTINE LUCERO,

Plaintiff,

**v.** D-202-CV-2015-08312

ALLSTATE INSURANCE COMPANY,

Defendant.

### PLAINTIFF'S CERTIFICATION REGARDING ARBITRATION UNDER LR2-603

I, Thomas J. Mescall, II, attorney for Plaintiff, certify that:

This case **is not** subject to referral to arbitration under Local Rule 2-603. At least one party seeks relief other than a month judgment and/or at least one party seeks an award in excess of \$25,000.00 inclusive of punitive damages and exclusive interest, costs, and attorney fees.

I further certify that this case is at issue within the meaning of Section I, Paragraph C of Local Rule 2-603  $\,$ 

Respectfully submitted,

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GRACE CHRISTINE LUCERO,

Plaintiff,

 $\mathbf{v}_{ullet}$ No. D-202-CV-2015-08312

ALLSTATE INSURANCE COMPANY,

Defendant.

#### **JURY DEMAND**

Plaintiff requests a six-person jury.

Respectfully submitted,

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GRACE CHRISTINE LUCERO,

Plaintiff,

v.

No. D-202-CV-2015-08312

#### ALLSTATE INSURANCE COMPANY,

Defendant.

#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Thomas J. Mescall, II, attorney for Plaintiff, certify that on October 31, 2015, I served, via regular mail, the following pleadings on defendant Allstate Insurance Company, c/o Rose Ann Archuleta of the Office of the Superintendent of Insurance:

- Complaint for Damages for Breach of Insurance Duties (court-endorsed)
- Plaintiff's Certification Regarding Arbitration Under LR2-603 (court-endorsed)
- Summons
- Jury Demand (court-endorsed)
- First Set of Interrogatories to Defendant Allstate
- Second Set of Interrogatories to Defendant Allstate
- Third Set of Interrogatories to Defendant Allstate
- First Set of Requests for Production to Defendant Allstate
- This Certificate of Service

Respectfully submitted,

Mescall Law Firm, P.C.

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GRACE CHRISTINE LUCERO,

Plaintiff,

v.

No. D-202-CV-2015-08312

ALLSTATE INSURANCE COMPANY,

Defendant.

## FIRST SET OF INTERROGATORIES TO DEFENDANT ALLSTATE

COMES NOW the Plaintiff, pursuant to Rule 1-036 of the New Mexico Rules of Civil Procedure, and requests that Defendant Allstate respond to the following Interrogatories within 45 days after service, or at an alternative date and time agreed upon by counsel.

**INTERROGATORY NO. 1:** 

Please state the dollar value of Allstate's net worth in 2007.

ANSWER:

**INTERROGATORY NO. 2:** 

Please state the dollar value of Allstate's net worth in 2014.

INTERROGATORY NO. 3: Please state the dollar value of Allstate's net assets in 2007.

ANSWER:

**INTERROGATORY NO. 4:** Please state the dollar value of Allstate's net assets in 2014.

ANSWER:

**INTERROGATORY NO. 5:** Please state the dollar value of Allstate's net income in

2014.

ANSWER:

**INTERROGATORY NO. 6:** Please state the dollar value of Allstate's net income in

Ву:

2014.

ANSWER:

Respectfully submitted,

Mescall Law Firm, P.C.

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Plaintiff,

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No. D-202-CV-2015-08312

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Defendant.

## SECOND SET OF INTERROGATORIES TO DEFENDANT ALLSTATE

**COMES NOW** the Plaintiff, pursuant to Rule 1-036 of the New Mexico Rules of Civil Procedure, and requests that Defendant Allstate respond to the following Interrogatories within 45 days after service, or at an alternative date and time agreed upon by counsel.

<u>INTERROGATORY NO. 7:</u> In the State of New Mexico over the course of the past five years, has Allstate ever been found liable for punitive damages? If so, please state the following:

- a. The date of each lawsuit
- b. The nature of the claims
- c. The court in which each lawsuit was filed
- d. The disposition of each lawsuit, including the amount of punitive damages

<u>INTERROGATORY NO. 8</u>: In the State of New Mexico over the course of the past five years, has Allstate ever been found liable for breach of a fiduciary duty? If so, please state the following:

- a. The date of each lawsuit
- b. The nature of the claims
- c. The court in which each lawsuit was filed
- d. The disposition of each lawsuit, including the amount of compensatory damages and punitive damages

#### ANSWER:

INTERROGATORY NO. 9: In the State of New Mexico over the course of the past five years, has Allstate ever been found liable for breach of the covenant of good faith and fair dealing? If so, please state the following:

- a. The date of each lawsuit
- b. The nature of the claims
- c. The court in which each lawsuit was filed
- d. The disposition of each lawsuit, including the amount of compensatory damages and punitive damages

INTERROGATORY NO. 10: In the State of New Mexico over the course of the past five years, has Allstate ever been found liable for violating the Trade Practices and Fraud Article (Article 16) of the Insurance Code? If so, please state the following:

- a. The date of each lawsuit
- b. The nature of the claims
- c. The court in which each lawsuit was filed
- d. The disposition of each lawsuit, including the amount of compensatory damages and punitive damages

**INTERROGATORY NO. 11:** In the State of New Mexico over the course of the past five years, has Allstate ever been found liable for violating the Unfair Practices Act? If so, please state the following:

- a. The date of each lawsuit
- b. The nature of the claims
- c. The court in which each lawsuit was filed
- d. The disposition of each lawsuit, including the amount of compensatory damages and punitive damages

<u>INTERROGATORY NO. 12</u>: In the State of New Mexico over the course of the past five years, has an Allstate insured recovered in a legal proceeding more than Allstate offered to settle an uninsured/underinsured claim? If so, for each case please state the following:

- a. The names and addresses of the insured
- b. The name of counsel for the insured
- c. The date and amount of the judgment or arbitration award
- d. The date and amount of the last pre-judgment settlement offer
- e. The nature of the claims
- f. The court in which each lawsuit was filed

ANSWER:

Respectfully submitted, Mescall Law Firm, P.C.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF BERNALILLO SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT

GRACE CHRISTINE LUCERO,

Plaintiff,

v.

No. D-202-CV-2015-08312

ALLSTATE INSURANCE COMPANY,

Defendant.

# THIRD SET OF INTERROGATORIES TO DEFENDANT ALLSTATE

COMES NOW the Plaintiff, pursuant to Rule 1-036 of the New Mexico Rules of Civil Procedure, and requests that Defendant Allstate respond to the following Interrogatories within 45 days after service, or at an alternative date and time agreed upon by counsel.

INTERROGATORY NO. 13: Please list the name, job title, address, and phone numbers for all Allstate (current and former) employees involved in making the decision to offer \$10,500 to settle Ms. Kramer's claim for uninsured motorist coverage in January 2014. Please indicate which employees are former employees.

INTERROGATORY NO. 14: Please list all the documents that Allstate reviewed before deciding to offer \$10,500 to settle Ms. Kramer's claim for uninsured motorist coverage in January 2014.

ANSWER:

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<u>INTERROGATORY NO. 15</u>: Please describe Allstate's policies, procedures, and criteria in effect in 2014 for settling claims for uninsured motorist coverage.

ANSWER:

Respectfully submitted,

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Defendant.

# FIRST SET OF REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION TO DEFENDANT ALLSTATE

COMES NOW the Plaintiff, pursuant to Rule 1-034 of the New Mexico Rules of Civil Procedure, and requests that Defendant Allstate produce the following documents for inspection and/or copying at the offices of Mescall Law Firm, P.C., 5201 Constitution Avenue N.E., Albuquerque, New Mexico, 87110, within 45 days after service of these requests, or at an alternative date and time agreed upon by counsel.

If you object to any request on the basis of privilege or work product: (1) explain fully the basis for your contention that such privilege exists; (2) specify what type of document is involved; (3) provide the date of the document; (4) provide the title and brief description of the subject matter of the document; and (5) identify all persons who drafted such document, all those privy to the contents of such document, and the current custodian of such document.

Please be aware that your duty to produce the requested material is continuous. In the event that such requested material is not available to you at this time, please send the requested material to us as soon as it is available.

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- 1. A complete copy of the Claims File for Ms. Lucero's (formerly known as Ms. Kramer) claim for uninsured motorist coverage, including a copy of the file jacket (inside and out).
  - A. For each and every portion of the file contained on computer, please produce a paper copy of each portion.
  - B. If any information has been deleted from either the paper file or the computer file, please identify what documents/information was deleted, the contents of the same, and the reason for deletion.
  - C. Include instructions regarding investigation and coverage questions.
  - D. This request includes, but is not limited to, copies of all correspondence and communications including e-mails.
  - E. This request includes, but is not limited to, copies of all diary notes by the adjustor(s).
- 2. A complete copy of the Claims File for Ms. Lucero's (formerly known as Ms. Kramer) claim for MedPay, including a copy of the file jacket (inside and out).
  - A. For each and every portion of the file contained on computer, please produce a paper copy of each portion.
  - B. If any information has been deleted from either the paper file or the computer file, please identify what documents/information was deleted, the contents of the same, and the reason for deletion.
  - C. Include instructions regarding investigation and coverage questions.
  - D. This request includes, but is not limited to, copies of all correspondence and communications including e-mails.

- E. This request includes, but is not limited to, copies of all diary notes by the adjustor(s).
- 3. Copies of the documents identified in Interrogatory No. 14.

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- 4. Copies of all policies, procedures and protocols, in effect in 2014, for settling claims for uninsured motorist coverage.
- 5. Copies of all complaints maintained pursuant to Section 59A-16-22, NMSA 1978.

Respectfully submitted, Mescall Law Firm, P.C.

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